

2020 Goal: Adopt-Out/Plant 10,000 Trees Current Count To-Date: 3,800 Trees

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEON VALLEY TREE ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting of the Leon Valley Tree Advisory Board (TAB) at 6:10 PM, on Monday, March 6, 2017, in the Leon Valley City Hall Conference Room, at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

I. Poll for Attendance and Determination of a Quorum.

- Staff Liaison: Kriste Flores (Present)
- TAB Forester: Mark Kroeze, Alamo Region Urban Forester (Absent)
- Members Present: Irene Baldridge, Thomas Benavides, Denise Berger, Melinda Dawson, Diana Sarfin, and Rich Sarfin
- Members Absent: Mary Key and Amber Mouser

II. Approval of Minutes - February 6, 2017.

- Minutes were corrected (Item VI, Bullet 4, the word "with" was added in front of "Oak Wilt") and approved.

III. Wrap-Up Discussion of Tree Adoptions from Earthwise Living Day on Saturday, March 4, 2017.

- There were 500 trees available for adoption. CPS Energy and the City of Leon Valley each provided 250.
 Tree types included Bur Oak, Chinquapin Oak, Cedar Elm, Pecan, Mexican Plum, Crape Myrtle, Desert Willow, Texas Redbud, and Mexican Buckeye.
- CPS Energy volunteers, TAB members, and two volunteers from Marshall High School adopted-out 375 trees. The remaining 125 will be planted at Silo Park and wherever the city needs tree replacements.
- Overall the event was successful even though it started raining around 11:00 AM.

IV. Discussion of Additional Tree Planting Opportunities in Various City Parks in Coordination with the Park Commission Goals.

- Upcoming tree planting opportunities are as follows:
 - -- Silo Park -> Park can only be accessed from the Canterfield Subdivision. Exercise equipment has already been installed. There may be possible access from Huebner in the future with some parking.
 - -- Old Mill Park -> Park is off Huebner Rd. just South of the U.S. Post Office (Donated by the Buddhist Temple in Leon Valley). The Temple also has property which is across the street from the park and it too has planting opportunities as well.
 - -- Ridge Park -> Park will be off Grass Hill Dr. and Caraway Bend (The Ridge Subdivision).
 - -- Shadow Mist -> Park will be off Grissom Rd. (Shadow Mist Subdivision) and adjacent to Crystal Hills Park (San Antonio).
 - -- LC-17 Project -> Park will off El Verde Rd.
 - --- Construction has resumed in the LC-17 area and the 18 trees (13 Pecan, 3 Shumard Oak, & 2 Live Oak) identified by the TAB to be repurposed have been set aside by Public Works.

V. Discussion of Neighborwoods Pilot Program in Coordination with the Northside ISD at Driggers Elementary.

- The Leon Valley Community Development Department (Ms. Kristie Flores) is currently working with the Northside ISD to plant trees on their property.

VI. Future Agenda Items.

- Discussion with Park Commission on March 9, 2017.
 - -- Ms. Flores, Ms. Berger, and Ms. Dawson will attend the meeting to discuss future planting requirements.
- Oak Wilt Kit Demonstration Date(s). TBD.
- Create More Opportunities for Tree Education. TBD.

VII. Adjourn.

- Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.
 The next meeting of the TAB is scheduled for Monday, April 3, 2017, at 6:00 PM, in the Leon Valley City Hall Conference Room.

Chairperson